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1. The name of Alvaro Sanchez*, who was previously reported to have furnished information on the movement of an infantry division from Arequipa, Peru to the northeast border region, does not appear in any index of military personnel in Colombia. Although he was reported to be a general returning from duty in La Paz as Military Attache, it is stated as definite that he does not hold the rank of general in the Colombian army. Colombia has no Military Attache assigned to La Paz.
2. [REDACTED] Quito, Ecuador are also unable to confirm the previous report concerning Sanchez and possible troop movements.
3. Information from Peru states that Peruvian garrisons on the Bolivian border were possibly strengthened from Arequipa during the recent Bolivian disturbances. There are no other indications of troop transfers for purposes of internal security. A search of travel records in Peru has not revealed that any Colombian general named Alvaro Sanchez traveled from La Paz to Bogota through Peru during the last ten days.

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Comment. When the Ecuadoran government received the report that a Peruvian military launch had been ordered to proceed up the Cunambo River in Ecuadoran territory, the Minister of Defense was prepared to order general mobilization of the armed forces. However, subsequent aerial reconnaissance revealed that the launch had not entered Ecuadoran territory.

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